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Aug 18th - 06.

JUDGES' CHAMBERS
BRISBANE.

Dear Clerk,

The Commrs sued
me for my income tax & on the
understanding come to between my
Associates & the Under Secretary for
Justice that an appeal should go
to the High Court, such pro forma
was given in a Special Case, &
the Q. Full Court in my favour.

The Govt. then repudiated the
agreement & intimated that they
wt appeal to the King Council.

I therefore applied to have the
Trust vacated, which was done
& then the matter stands. The

3rdrd afterwards, on the last day
of the session, & without any notice
came a bill this Parliament declaring
that the income tax was & always
had been payable by the Judges!

I suggested that the Governor
might refuse to assent to this
Act but he did not see his
way to do so. Are there petitions
the King to disallow this

legislation & if you would care
to see a copy of our memorandum
& petition & a few memoranda
of me I should be glad to let
you have the papers.

Your position ~~is~~ seems to me
to be much stronger than ours
& I should certainly fight the
matter if I were in your place,
but I should take care to have
the matter ultimately decided by
the High Court. Keeping you back

Yours / Yrs.

Edw. Cooper.

The Hon

Mr. Justice Clark.